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1. (Confidential - JMM) General Cushman reported a call from Senator Barry Goldwater (R., Ariz.) who expressed considerable concern over a study prepared by the Members of Congress for Peace Through Law committee calling for a joint congressional committee on intelligence. The Senator offered to provide us a copy and invited our comments.

2. (Confidential - JMM) Discussed with Joe Wolf, in the office of the Bureau of Politico-Military Affairs, Department of State, the problem of trying to prevail on the Symington Subcommittee not to publish references in their transcript to the Agency's [redacted] Wolf is not sure whether it would be better for the Agency to weigh in now or wait until we can find out what the Committee's final decision is and then, if it is adverse, try to persuade the Senator to reverse it. I said I would try to get a reading on the situation from Walter Pincus of the Committee staff. 25X1 25X1

3. (Unclassified - JMM) On the Director's instruction called Ralph Preston, Staff Assistant, House Appropriations Committee, suggesting that he call Chairman Mahon's attention to a public statement by Representative Celler. Celler, who is Chairman of the Special Subcommittee investigating impeachment charges against Justice Douglas, had issued a statement accusing the Agency of refusal to cooperate in the investigation.

4. (Confidential - LLM) Bill Woodruff, Counsel, Senate Appropriations Committee, called for a member of the full Committee to check on whether a [redacted] had ever had a prior relationship of significant influence with the Agency. Office of Personnel and Office of Security were advised. I gave Woodruff the information Office of Personnel was able to supply and offered to pull our files from Records Center if time would permit, but Bill concluded that in view of the information I had given him and the limited identifying information he had, he would go back to the Senator and tell him that the people whom he had contacted had no recollection of [redacted] having a responsible position with the Agency. 25X1 25X1 25X1 25X1

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